

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:)
 F. CESARE)
 Serial No. 09/138,926) Examiner: S. Nolan
 Filed: August 24, 1998) Group Art Unit: 1772
 For: LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT) Confirmation No.: 4707
 POLYMERS AND THEIR USE)
 AS DISPERSION AIDS)

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed
 September 25, 2003.

Applicant notes with appreciation the withdrawal of all
 of the rejections made in the February 20, 2003 Action.
 The new rejections are discussed below.

35 USC §102

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of
 claims 1-10, 13-22 and 27-30 under 35 USC §102(b) as being
 anticipated by Meynard are respectfully requested.